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As a computer professional and computer software and hardware professor, I am concerned that the proposed settlement will amount to little more that a slap on the wrist to Microsoft. In fact, the proposed settlement may well allow Microsoft to strengthen its hold in the education market.

Microsoft is a monopoly. It has used its dominate position to stop its completion.

The remedy must be to break up the company or destroy its ability to crush its competition in illegal and monopolistic ways. There is fledgling and growing competition to Microsoft. In the past Microsoft has been able to crush its completion by intimidation or illegal ways.

Please act. The future of innovation and diversity in the computer industry may well depend on it.

Thank you for your consideration in these matters.

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